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Measures announced President's October 22 speech characterized as "aggressive piratical step," "law of jungle," and "interference Cuban internal affairs" by October 23 Czech press.

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Comment: While all papers carried "news" item editorializing along lines above, speech handled fairly routine fashion and not headlined as major propaganda theme. This may be due either receipt news here early morning hours just prior deadline for today's morning papers or possibly Czech unwillingness go out on limb until tomorrow's reaction known.

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